

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 83

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A RESOLUTION to recognize Tom Davis on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Tom Davis has served with distinction as Administrator of Elections under the Rhea County Election Commission for nine-and-a-half years and will take his much-deserved retirement on February 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, born on February 1, 1951, Mr. Davis is a 1968 graduate of Melbourne High School; he studied journalism at the University of South Carolina and graduated in 1972; and

WHEREAS, from 1991 to 2013, Mr. Davis served as the Director of Public Information at Bryan College; he has also served as editor for Rhea County's *The Herald-News*, president of the Rhea Historical and Genealogical Society, and chair of the Scopes Festival; and

WHEREAS, a devout man of faith, Mr. Davis is a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Dayton; and

WHEREAS, aside from his professional accomplishments, Mr. Davis is most grateful for the love and support of his wife of forty-five years, Susan Davis; their three children, Andrew Davis, Elaine Gates, and Pamela Hollis; and their four cherished grandchildren, Claire Gates, Nathan Gates, Emily Hollis, and Daniel Hollis; and

WHEREAS, Tom Davis is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we extend to Tom Davis our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.